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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

IN RE APPLICATION OF: Ronald G. BREESE *et al.*

APPLICATION NO.: Not Yet Assigned

FILED: October 23, 2003

FOR: **APPARATUS AND METHODS FOR REMOVING
METALLIC CONTAMINATION FROM WAFER
CONTAINERS**

EXAMINER:

ART UNIT:

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Transmittal of Continuation Patent Application

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Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir: Transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application by inventor(s): Ronald G. BREESE; C. James BRYER; Eric J. BERGMAN; and Dana R. SCRANTON, and entitled:

**Apparatus And Methods For Removing Metallic Contamination From
Wafer Containers**

1. Enclosed are:

- ☒ One stamped, self-addressed postcard for PTO datestamp.
- ☒ Certificate of Express Mail.
- ☒ One utility patent application containing text pages 1-14 and
 - ☒ 6 Sheets of drawings.
- ☒ Copy of Declaration filed in parent application serial no. 10/224,625.
- ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement with Form PTO-1449.

2. Extension of Time

- ☒ A petition for extension of time has been filed in the parent to extend the pendency of the parent to October 24, 2003 (copy enclosed).

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3. U.S. Priority

- ☒ This Application is a Continuation of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/224,625, filed August 20, 2002, and now pending, which is a continuation-in-part of U. S. Patent Application Serial No. 10/200,071, filed July 19, 2002, now abandoned, which is a continuation-in-part of U.S. Patent Application Serial No. 09/658,395, filed September 8, 2000, and now pending.

4. Prior Documents Still In Effect

- ☒ This application and parent application, Application No. 10/224,625, filed August 20, 2002 are assigned of record to Semitool, Inc., as recorded in the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office at Reel 013539 and Frame 0688.

5. Entity Status

- ☒ Large entity status applies to this application.

6. Fees

The filing fee has been calculated as follows:

For:	(Col. 1) No. Filed	(Col. 2) No. Extra	Large Entity	
			Rate	Fee
Basic Fee				\$770.00
Total Claims	15 - 20	0	x \$ 18 =	\$
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Respectfully submitted,
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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION

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Sir:

Applicant requests a one-month extension of time for responding to the June 24, 2003 final office action, so that Applicant can file a Continuation.

A check in the amount of \$110.00 is enclosed.

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